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SUBJECT: FOLLOW- UP MESSAGE FOR US TRADE UNION LEADER

FOR DALE GOOD, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY FOR INTERNATIONAL LABOR AFFAIRS

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1. THE AMB WOULD AGAIN APPRECIATE YOUR FORWARDING IN A SUITABLY CONFIDENTIAL WAY THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO HOWARD MOLISANO, ITALIAN AMERICAN LABOR COUNCIL, 218 WEST 40 TH STREET, NEW YORK, WITH A COPY TO MR. GEORGE MEANY, AFL- CIO.

2. QUOTE. FURTHER TO MY MESSAGE TO YOU OF A FEW DAYS AGO CONCERNING TRAVEL TO ITALY OF A SMALL GROUP OF FRIENDS, I TOOK THIS MATTER UP

WITH LABMIN COPPO. AS YOU KNOW COPPOS IS FORMER DEPSECGEN OF CISL, HAS DONE A REMARKABLE JOB HERE AS LABMIN, ENHANCING HIS STANDING AS A NATIONAL FIGURE IN THE DC PARTY WHILE AT THE SAME TIME KEEPING IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE LABOR SITUATION HERE, INCLUDING CISL'S PROBLEMS.

3. HIS VIEWS ARE PARTICULARLY SOUND AND VALUABLE. HE WARMLY WELCOMED THE IDEA OF A GROUP OF US FRIENDS OF ITALY VISITING HERE, AS SET FORTH IN MY PREVIOUS MESSAGE TO YOU, AND THINKS IT IS AN EXCELLENT APPROACH. HOWEVER, HE WAS QUITE EXPLICIT IN SAYING THAT IN ORDER TO HAVE MAXIMUM EFFECT THE GROUP SHOULD BE IN ROME NOT CONFIDENTIAL

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MUCH LATER THAN JUNE 1. THAT WOULD BE BEFORE THE DC PARTY CONGRESS, JUNE 6-10, AND THE CISL CONGRESS, JUNE 18-22. COPPO STRONGLY FELT -- WITHOUT GOING INTO DETAILED EXPLANATIONS -- YOUR GROUP SHOULD BE HERE BEFORE THOSE CONGRESSES, THAT IS AROUND JUNE 1. I SINCERELY HOPE YOU CAN MAKE IT.

4. FOR YOUR OWN CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION IT IS POSSIBLE THAT COPPO WILL HIMSELF FIND OCCASION TO BE IN THE US, BREIFLY, BEFORE THEN. IF SO, I TRUST THERE WILL BE AN OCCASION FOR YOU TO MEET EACH OTHER BEFORE THE TRIP TO ITALY. THAT OUGHT TO BE ESPECIALLY USEFUL.

5. WITH WARMEST PERSONAL REGARDS. END QUOTE. VOLPE

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